

Recreational Opportunities

Fishing – Hunting – Outdoor Photography
Wildlife Viewing

Conservation Areas are open from 4:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.; hunting, fishing, trapping, camping, dog training, launching and landing boats allowed 24 hours a day on areas where these activities are permitted. Parking or storing watercraft or commercial vehicles on department areas during closed hours is prohibited.

- Groups of more than 10 and some special activities may require a special use permit. Contact area manager for more information.
- Camping is allowed on or adjacent to all area parking lots. No unattended open campfires allowed. No amenities are provided. Groups of more than 10 campers require a special use permit. Stays are limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30-day period.
- Walk-in/backpack camping is allowed EXCEPT during all firearms deer and turkey seasons. Same rules apply.
- Nuts, berries, fruits, edible wild greens and mushrooms may be taken for personal use. Digging of roots is prohibited.
- Pets and hunting dogs are permitted but must be on a leash or confined at all times. Hunting dogs may be used off the leash and unconfined for hunting and training purposes. A hunting permit is required to train dogs in pursuit of wildlife.
- Guiding for pay is prohibited.
- Use of fireworks is prohibited.
- Target shooting is prohibited.
- Field trials are prohibited.

Fishing and Boating

Fishing is permitted under statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply.

- Gig, longbow, or atlatl may be used for carp, buffalo, suckers, and gar in streams during statewide seasons.
- Seining or trapping live bait is permitted in streams.

Hunting and Trapping

Area is open to hunting under statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply.

- Deer and turkey regulations are subject to annual changes. Please refer to the Spring Turkey or Fall Deer and Turkey Booklets for current regulations.
- Only portable tree stands are permitted and only between Sept. 1 and Jan. 31. Each stand must be identified with the name and address or conservation number of the user and must be removed from the area by Feb. 1. Use of nails and other materials that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- Decoys and blinds are permitted but must be disassembled and removed daily. Blinds may be constructed on-site, but only from willows and non-woody vegetation.
- Trapping of furbearers is allowed but only with a special use permit. Contact Area Manager.
- Trail and game cameras are prohibited.

For local information, contact

Missouri Department of Conservation
8965 HWY 36 STE 1
Hannibal, MO 63401
(573) 248-2530
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Additional area information is posted on our website and on bulletin boards located in parking areas and area offices.

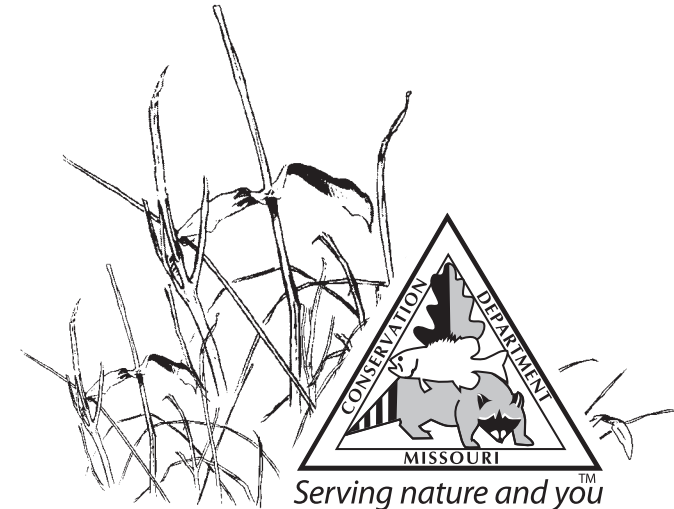
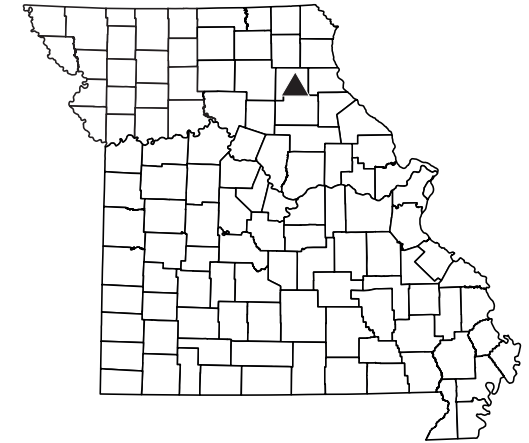
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